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Bob Dunn TelAlaska, Inc. 201 E 56th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99518

> Re: Call Sign E080229 File No. SES-LIC-20081104-01446

Dear Mr. Dunn:

On November 4, 2008, TelAlaska, Inc. (TelAlaska) filed an application for a license to operate a new transmit and receive earth station CSAT¹ system for operations in Alaska. For the reasons discussed below, we dismiss the application as defective, without prejudice to refiling.

Section 25.112 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.112, requires the Commission to return, as unacceptable for filing, any earth station application that is not substantially complete, contains internal inconsistencies, or does not substantially comply with the Commission's rules. TelAlaska's application does not comply with the Commission's rules, which renders it unacceptable and subject to dismissal.

In response to item E21 of Schedule B, TelAlaska lists ALSAT-designated satellites as the points of communication for each of its remote locations. Pursuant to Section 25.115(c)(2)(i)(A) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.115(c)(2)(i)(A), the lead application for a CSAT system must identify no more than three discrete geostationary satellites to be accessed. Additionally, in response to items E43 and E44 of Schedule B, TelAlaska lists the frequency bands as 4162-4198 MHz (Receive) and 6387-6423 MHz (Transmit) for each of its remote locations. Pursuant to Section 25.115(c)(2)(i)(B) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.115(c)(2)(i)(B), the lead application for a CSAT system must identify the amount of frequency bandwidth sought, up to a maximum of 20 megahertz of spectrum in each direction for each satellite. The bandwidth requested in response to item E43 and E44 of Schedule B exceed this limitation.

¹ C-band small aperture terminal network.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 25.112(a) (1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §25.112(a)(1), and Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegations of authority, 47 C.F.R. §0.261, we dismiss TelAlaska's application without prejudice to refiling.²

Sincerely,

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If TelAlaska refiles an application in which the deficiencies identified in this letter have been corrected but otherwise identical to the one dismissed, it need not pay an application fee. See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1109(d).